



## News Release

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### ***Fire Up!* for the Chagrin Foundation for Arts & Culture**

*Fire Up! for the Chagrin Foundation for Arts & Culture*, the Foundation's first-ever benefit, will be held on Saturday, May 31, in two locations in the Chagrin Valley. The event will feature a special, private performance by Apollo's Fire of highlights from its popular *Scotch Snap* program followed by a strolling supper at a nearby private home. Proceeds from the evening will support the programs of the Chagrin Foundation for Arts & Culture, including its acclaimed *Chautauqua-in-Chagrin* summer series and its very successful *Chagrin Arts* winter series.

The evening will begin at 4:00pm with a Warm-Up reception on the lawn of the Baroque Music Barn on the corner of Shaker Blvd. and Chagrin River Road, home of Apollo's Fire's annual Countryside Concerts, followed by a one-hour, private performance of Highlights from *Scotch Snap* at 5:00pm. Hailed as "whimsical and utterly delightful" by the Akron Beacon Journal, *Scotch Snap* features the charismatic violinist and Cape Breton fiddler David Greenberg as guest director of a program of virtuoso Scottish fiddle music, ranging from the elegance of 18th-century Scottish salons to the driving folk rhythms of Nova Scotia. Award-winning soprano Sandra Simon and hammered-dulcimer diva Tina Bergmann join harpsichordist extraordinaire Jeannette Sorrell and the exuberant Apollo's Fire musicians for this light-hearted summertime romp.

Following the performance, the guests will adjourn to a nearby private home for a strolling supper. Catered by Sammy's, the supper will reflect the "country casual attire" theme of the evening and encourage guests to enjoy the views and architecture of one of the area's finest homes.

Tickets are available at \$150 (Hot Seats, which include preferred concert seating and program listing) and \$125 (Fire Starters, with general seating) by calling 440.247.9700. 4-Alarm, 3-Alarm, 2-Alarm and 1-Alarm sponsorship packages are also available through the Foundation office. Because the events will be held on private properties, the addresses are available upon request only. The exact locations and directions will be mailed to ticket holders prior to the event.

*Fire Up!* is sponsored by University Hospitals – Geauga Medical Center, South Franklin Circle, Custom Materials, Smith & Hultin, Herbruck Alder, Private Harbour Investment Management and

Counsel and many individuals. The *Fire Up!* committee is co-chaired by Pamela Hultin, Patty Hridel and Chris Robinson.

The Chagrin Foundation for Arts & Culture was established in winter 2007 by a group of community leaders, citizens, and arts advocates to improve the vitality, quality of life, and economic stability of Chagrin Falls and its surrounding communities. Since then, it has forged important partnerships with arts organizations, governments, civic groups and cultural institutions to move forward with ambitious plans to create a vibrant cultural center in the Chagrin Valley. Its programs include the summer *Chautauqua-in-Chagrin* series, which brings speakers and musicians from the Chautauqua Institution to Chagrin Falls for lectures and performances, and its winter *Chagrin Arts* series, which features regional performers of national and international renown.

For more information, to arrange an interview or to request location information, please contact the Chagrin Foundation for Arts & Culture at 440.247.9700 or visit [www.chagrinfoundation.org](http://www.chagrinfoundation.org).

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